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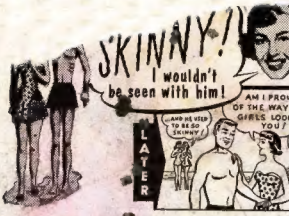

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A [illegible] OVER THE AUDIENCE AS THE [illegible] STEPPED INTO THE METAL [illegible] CLOSURE FROM WHICH THE GREAT EMERY WAS TO MAKE HER DISAPPEAR INTO THIN AIR...

THE MAGICIAN SMILED ASSUREDLY AS HE BOLTED AND WRAPPED THE HEAVY CHAINS SECURELY AROUND THE METAL PRISON...

THE GREAT EMERY

AND NOW, HE WAS READY! HE STEPPED BACK A FEW FEET... SLOWLY RAISED HIS ARMS... AND SHOUTED...

ABRA CADABRA!

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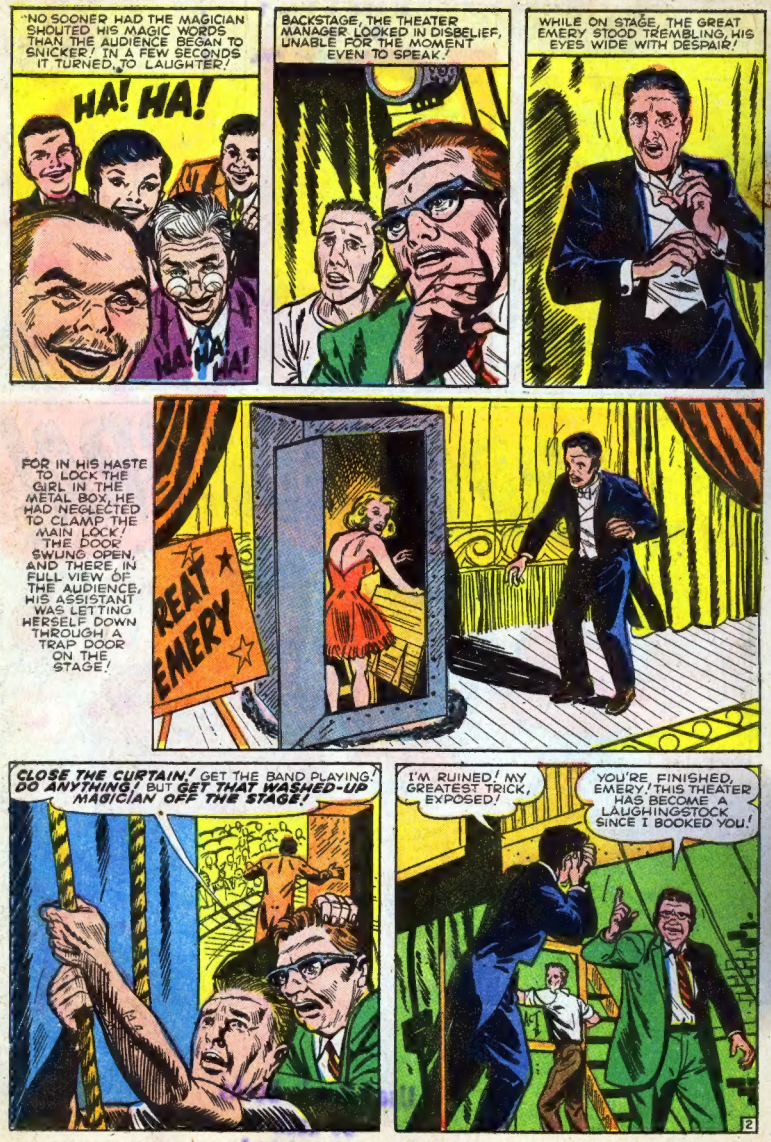
NO SOONER HAD THE MAGICIAN SHOUTED HIS MAGIC WORDS THAN THE AUDIENCE BEGAN TO SNICKER! IN A FEW SECONDS IT TURNED TO LAUGHTER!
HA! HA!
HA! HA! HA!
BACKSTAGE, THE THEATER MANAGER LOOKED IN DISBELIEF, UNABLE FOR THE MOMENT EVEN TO SPEAK!
WHILE ON STAGE, THE GREAT EMERY STOOD TREMBLING, HIS EYES WIDE WITH DESPAIR!
FOR IN HIS HASTE TO LOCK THE GIRL IN THE METAL BOX, HE HAD NEGLECTED TO CLAMP THE MAIN LOCK! THE DOOR SWUNG OPEN, AND THERE, IN FULL VIEW OF THE AUDIENCE, HIS ASSISTANT WAS LETTING HERSELF DOWN THROUGH A TRAP DOOR ON THE STAGE!
REAT
EMERY
CLOSE THE CURTAIN! GET THE BAND PLAYING! DO ANYTHING! BUT GET THAT WASHED-UP MAGICIAN OFF THE STAGE!
I'M RUINED! MY GREATEST TRICK, EXPOSED!
YOU'RE FINISHED, EMERY! THIS THEATER HAS BECOME A LAUGHINGSTOCK SINCE I BOOKED YOU!
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ATTENDANCE HAS BEEN DROPPING STEADILY! THE PEOPLE WHO DO SHOW UP COME FOR LAUGHS! I BOOKED A MAGICIAN, NOT A COMEDIAN! YOU GOT AWAY WITH FOULING UP THE SMALL TRICKS... BUT THAT BIG FINALE WAS ALSO YOUR FINALE!

NOW GET OUT! I'LL BLACKBALL YOU IN EVERY THEATER IN THE COUNTRY! YOU'RE THROUGH!
THAT GOES DOUBLE FOR ME, BUSTER! I OUGHT TO SUE YOU FOR EMBARRASSMENT!

WHO WOULD EVER BELIEVE THAT THE CAREER OF "THE GREAT EMERY" WOULD END THIS WAY?
STAGE DOOR

WHEN THIS PICTURE WAS TAKEN, I WAS THE MASTER! MY HANDS WERE SURE! WHEN I SAID, "ABRA CADABRA" STRANGE THINGS HAPPENED! THE AUDIENCE ALWAYS LEFT THE THEATER SPELLBOUND!
THERE HE IS! HEY, EMERY!
ALL WEEK
THE GREAT EMERY

WHERE WAS THAT GIRL GOING... OUT TO LUNCH?
I'LL BET HER FACE WAS RED!
YOU SHOULD HAVE SEEN HIS!

BAH! WHAT DO THEY KNOW! IT'S EASY FOR THEM TO FORGET MY GREATEST TRIUMPHS!
7 ACTS VAUDE

WHAT'S THE USE! WHY SHOULD I FOOL MYSELF ANY LONGER! THE MANAGER... MY ASSISTANT... THEY'RE RIGHT! I'M ALL WASHED UP!

WHEN I WAS GREAT, I THOUGHT IT WOULD LAST FOREVER! I LIVED IT UP BIG, NEVER REALIZING THAT MY REFLEXES WOULD SOMEDAY WEAKEN...
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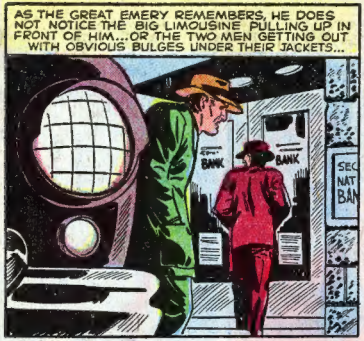
AS THE GREAT EMERY REMEMBERS, HE DOES NOT NOTICE THE BIG LIMOUSINE PULLING UP IN FRONT OF HIM...OR THE TWO MEN GETTING OUT WITH OBVIOUS BULGES UNDER THEIR JACKETS...
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THEY CAME IN THRONGS TO SEE "THE GREAT EMERY" PERFORM! IT WAS STANDING ROOM ONLY ON MY TOURS FROM ONE END OF THE COUNTRY TO THE OTHER...

EVEN NOW, I CAN RECALL MY TRIPS THROUGH THE CONTINENT! PARIS, VIENNA, ROME! AND HOW WILL I EVER FORGET THAT COMMAND PERFORMANCE!

THIS WAS THE FINALE! THE LIGHTS WERE DIMMED! THE KING AND QUEEN LEANED FORWARD IN THEIR ROYAL BOX! THEY, WITH THE REST OF THE AUDIENCE, WERE NERVOUSLY AWAITING THE OUTCOME! I SLOWLY RAISED MY HANDS OVER MY HEAD, THEN THRUST THEM QUICKLY FORWARD AND SHOUTED...
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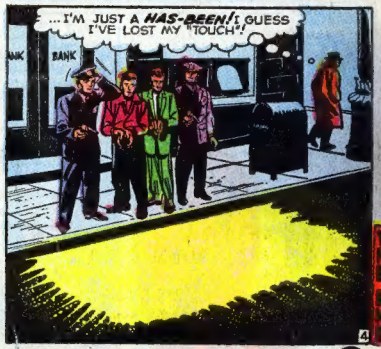

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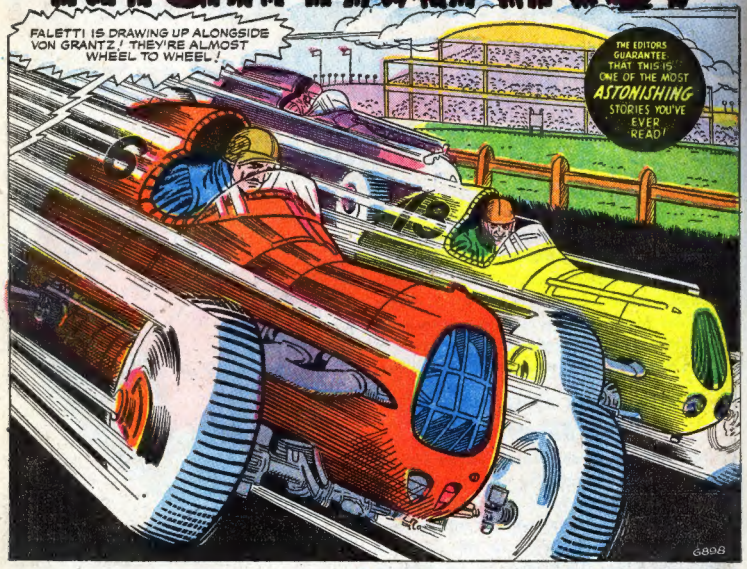
FALETTI'S GENIUS FOR DRIVING WAS ONLY MATCHED BY HIS ARROGANCE WHEN HE RACED ACROSS THE FINISH LINE FIRST...WHICH ALMOST WAS **ALWAYS!** YET FOR A MAN BORN TO THE WHEEL, HE HAD A CURIOUS FEAR OF ACCIDENTS! DESPITE THE IMPRESSION OF RECKLESSNESS HE GAVE OFF TO RIVALS AND PUBLIC ALIKE, IN HIS HEART FALETTI KNEW HE'D ONE DAY BE INVOLVED IN A RACE HE COULDN'T POSSIBLY WIN!

NIGHTMARE!


FALETTI IS DRAWING UP ALONGSIDE VON GRANTZ! THEY'RE ALMOST WHEEL TO WHEEL!
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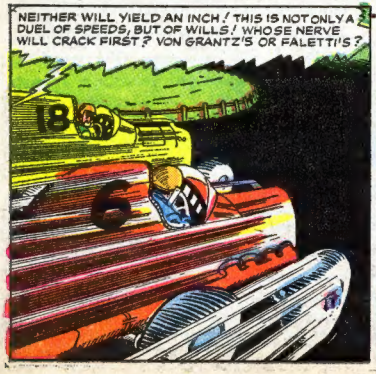
NEITHER WILL YIELD AN INCH! THIS IS NOT ONLY A DUEL OF SPEEDS, BUT OF WILLS! WHOSE NERVE WILL CRACK FIRST? VON GRANTZ'S OR FALETTI'S?
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THE CORESCI TURN IS COMING UP! SURELY BOTH FALETTI AND VON GRANTZ KNOW ITS HISTORY! THEY MUST SLOW UP! BOTH OF THEM CAN'T TAKE THE CURVE! ONE WILL BE DRIVEN OFF THE TRACK!
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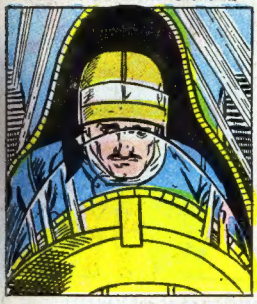
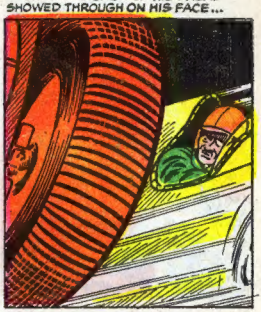
IF ANY MAN COULD SEE FALETTI'S FACE AT THIS MOMENT OF CRISIS, HE WOULD NEVER FORGET ITS EXPRESSION! HERE WAS A MASK, IMMOBILE, IMPASSIVE, THE SAME EXPRESSION FOR EVERY LAP OF THE COURSE...

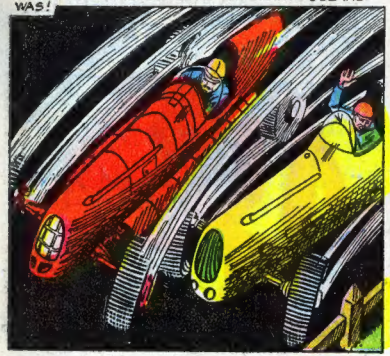


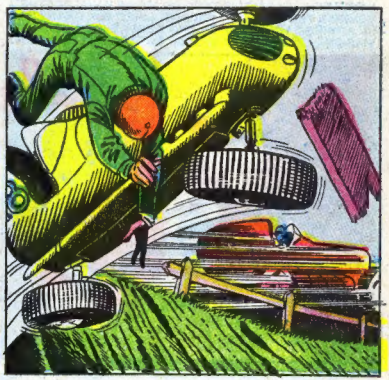
IT REMINDED ONE OF A VOLCANO BETWEEN ERUPTIONS! THE FIERY LIFE WHICH LAY BEHIND AND BELOW THOSE UNBENDING FEATURES WAS DEMONSTRATED ONLY BY THE SLIGHTEST TWITCHING OF THE EYELIDS, THE BAREST TIGHTENING OF THE LINES OF THE MOUTH...

A KEEN ANALYST COULDN'T FAIL TO SEE HOW DEEPLY THIS MAN FELT! BUT FALETTI KNEW IF HE YIELDED TO THE TRUE FEELINGS WITHIN HIM... IF ONLY A FLICKER OF HIS DREAD SHOWED THROUGH ON HIS FACE...

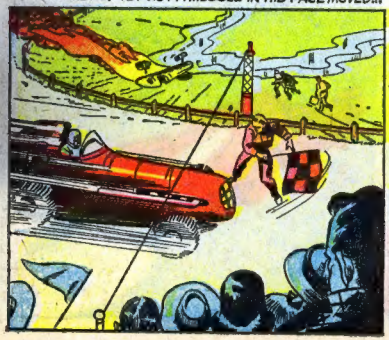


HE WAS DOOMED... DOOMED AS VON GRANTZ CLEARLY WAS!

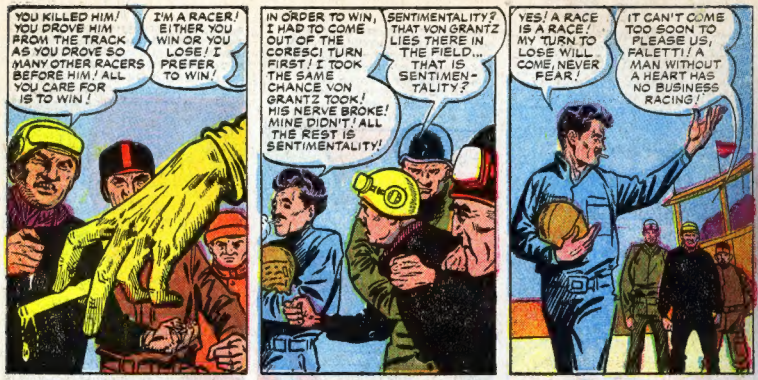




FALETTI KNEW THAT VON GRANTZ HAD CRACKED UP! HE COULD SEE THE SMOKE BILLOW UP BEHIND THE EMBANKMENT! YET NOT A MUSCLE IN HIS FACE MOVED...



WHEN HE HAD CROSSED THE FINISH LINE AND DRIVEN INTO THE WINNER'S CIRCLE, NO MAN CAME FORWARD TO CONGRATULATE HIM! ON THE CONTRARY...


YOU KILLED HIM! YOU DROVE HIM FROM THE TRACK AS YOU DROVE SO MANY OTHER RACERS BEFORE HIM! ALL YOU CARE FOR IS TO WIN!
I'M A RACER! EITHER YOU WIN OR YOU LOSE! I PREFER TO WIN!
IN ORDER TO WIN, I HAD TO COME OUT OF THE CORESC! TURN FIRST! I TOOK THE SAME CHANCE VON GRANTZ TOOK! HIS NERVE BROKE! MINE DIDN'T! ALL THE REST IS SENTIMENTALITY!
SENTIMENTALITY? THAT VON GRANTZ LIES THERE IN THE FIELD... THAT IS SENTIMENTALITY?
YES! A RACE IS A RACE! MY TURN TO LOSE WILL COME, NEVER FEAR!
IT CAN'T COME TOO SOON TO PLEASE US, FALETTI! A MAN WITHOUT A HEART HAS NO BUSINESS RACING!

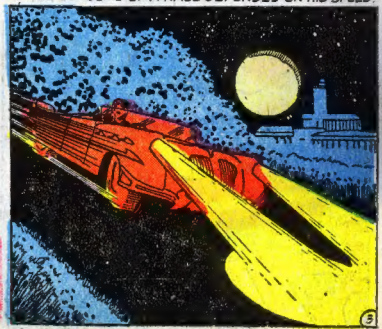
NO HEART, THEY SAID! IF THEY ONLY SAW WHAT SEETHED BENEATH THE SURFACE! FALETTI LIKED VON GRANTZ! HE ADMIRED VON GRANTZ LONG BEFORE HIS OWN NAME WAS CURSED FROM ONE END OF EUROPE TO THE OTHER!

NOT EVEN HIS PIT CREW OR KOVAC, HIS MANAGER, LIKED HIM! THEY UTTERED NOT ONE WORD OF CONGRATULATION AS HE QUIETLY DRESSED IN HIS ROOM BENEATH THE STADIUM...

HERE'S YOUR PURSE! NOT THAT YOU'RE INTERESTED, BUT VON GRANTZ IS GONE!
HE HAD BAD LUCK! HE SHOULD HAVE REALIZED I WAS DETERMINED TO MAKE THE TURN FIRST!

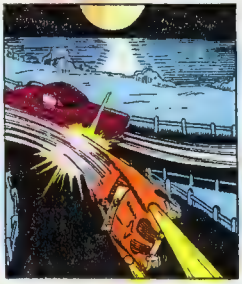
I AM YOUR MANAGER, FALETTI! I HAVE MADE MONEY ON YOUR RACING! I REGRET EVERY CENT I HAVE MADE! I AM TEARING UP OUR CONTRACT TONIGHT!
AS YOU PLEASE! I WILL STILL GO ON RACING!

THAT NIGHT, FALETTI SLIPPED OUT OF TOWN! HE DROVE HIS ISOTTA-FRASCHINI ALONG THE COASTAL ROAD AS IF THE OUTCOME OF A RACE DEPENDED ON HIS SPEED!

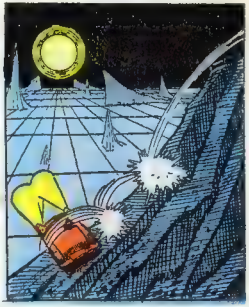


HE WAS A MAN PURSUED BY MEMORIES THAT MUST BE ESCAPED AT ALL COSTS! HE DID MORE THAN 120 MILES AN HOUR THROUGH RIVIERA VILLAGES, NOT CARING HOW THE PEOPLE SHOUTED AT HIM... OR HOW CLOSELY HE CAME TO DISASTER WITH EVERY SHARP CURVE...

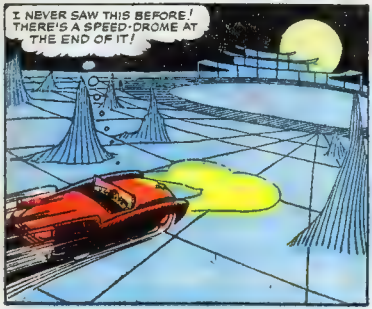
FINALLY HE CAME TO AN INTERSECTION! A CAR DARTED ACROSS! FALETTI SPUN THE WHEEL! TOO LATE! HE SIDESWIPED THE SEDAN AND CAREENED INTO A FIELD DESPERATELY TRYING TO HOLD THE WHEEL...



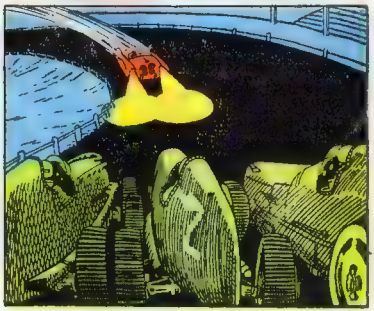
FINALLY HE EMERGED RIGHT SIDE UP! THE OTHER CAR WAS NOWHERE IN SIGHT! ASSUMING THAT IT WAS ALL RIGHT, FALETTI SHOT OFF DOWN A SIDE ROAD...



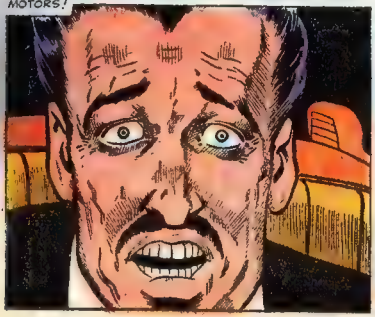
HE HADN'T GONE VERY FAR WHEN HE REALIZED THAT HE WAS PASSING THROUGH VERY UNFAMILIAR TERRITORY! IT WAS THE STRANGEST KIND OF COUNTRYSIDE! STRANGER STILL, HE SEEMED TO BE ON SOME SORT OF RACE TRACK!



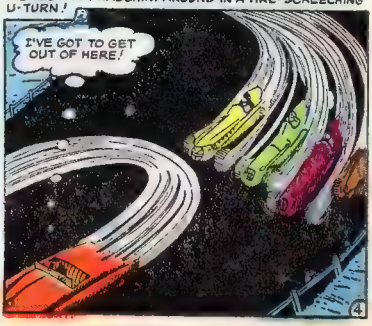
FALETTI KNEW EVERY RACING TRACK IN EUROPE! THERE COULDN'T BE ONE HERE! AND THOSE RACING CARS DRAWN UP IN STARTING POSITIONS... THEY SEEMED TO BE WAITING FOR HIM!



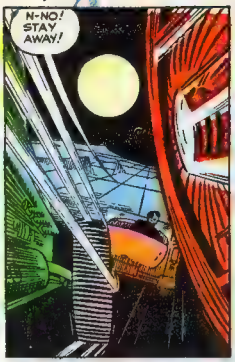
A CHILL SEIZED FALETTI! HE **RECOGNIZED** THE DRIVERS! THEY WERE THE MEN WHO WERE LOST IN RACING ACCIDENTS YEARS AGO! ONE WAS VON GRANTZ! THE AIR SHOOK WITH THUNDER AS THEY GUNNED THEIR MOTORS!

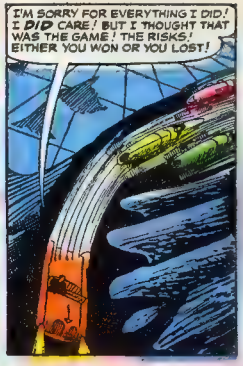


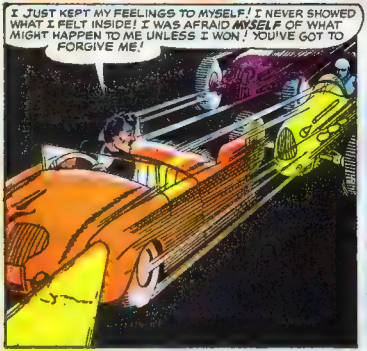
THE DEEP FEAR HE HAD BEEN SUPPRESSING ALL THESE YEARS BURST INSIDE FALETTI! NO MAN IN THE WORLD SHOWED MORE DREAD THAN FALETTI AS HE SWUNG HIS ISOTTA-FRASCHINI AROUND IN A TIRE-SCREECHING U-TURN!



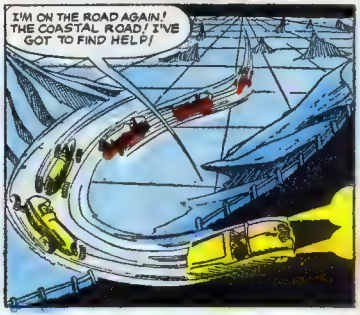
THE OTHER DRIVERS TOOK AFTER FALETTI! HE BEGAN TO DRIVE MADLY, RECKLESSLY, FEARFULLY ANYONE! WHO HAD EVER SEEN FALETTI BEFORE... FALETTI OF THE COLD, IMMOBILE FACE AND HEARTLESS MANNER... WOULD NEVER HAVE RECOGNIZED THE SAME MAN!





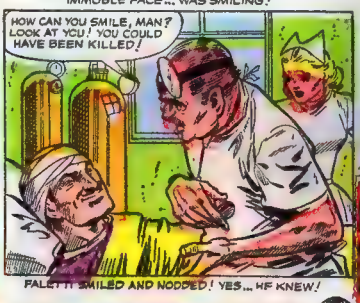

I JUST KEPT MY FEELINGS TO MYSELF! I NEVER SHOWED WHAT I FELT INSIDE! I WAS AFRAID MYSELF OF WHAT MIGHT HAPPEN TO ME UNLESS I WON! YOU'VE GOT TO FORGIVE ME!

THE PURSUERS CAME CLOSER... TILL THE NEAREST RACER TOUCHED THE LICENSE PLATE OF HIS SPORTS CAR! BUT JUST AS HE WAS BEING OVERTAKEN..



BUT NOW THERE WAS NO SIGN OF A PURSUER! NOR OF THE RACE TRACK... NOR OF THE SPEED-DROME! BUT THE CAR! THE ISOTTA-FRASCHINI! IT WAS A WRECK! HE WAS BRUISED! SUDDENLY FALETTI SAW THE MEANING OF HIS LAST RACE...

BREATHING A SIGH OF IMMENSE GRATITUDE, HE DROVE SLOWLY TO TO THE NEAREST TOWN TO GET HOSPITAL TREATMENT! THE DOCTOR STARED AT HIM IN ASTONISHMENT! FALETTI WAS SMILING! HE... FALETTI OF THE IMMOBLE FACE... WAS SMILING!



FALETTI SMILED AND NODDED! YES... HE KNEW!

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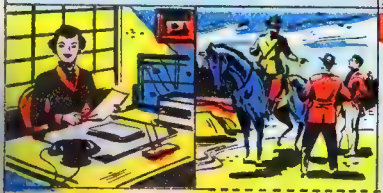

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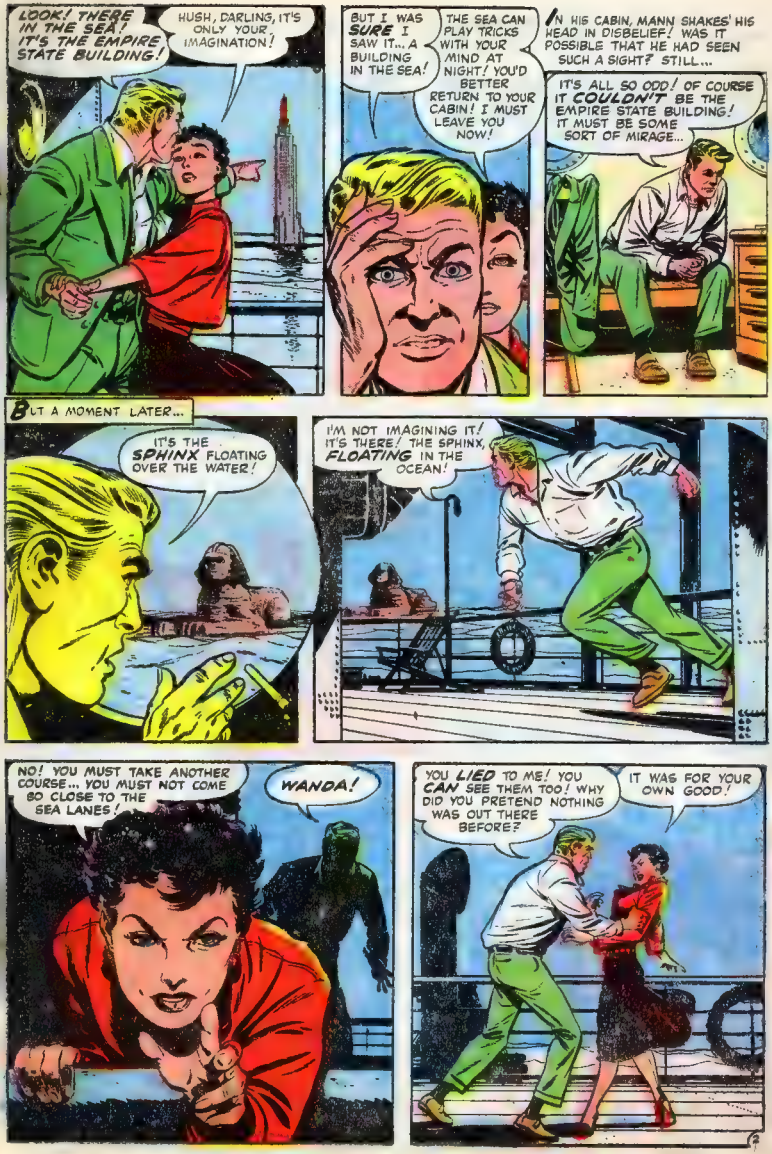
TOD MANN COULD NOT TAKE HIS EYES FROM HER... FOR SHE WAS AS STRANGE AND RESTLESS AS THE OCEAN ITSELF! AND SOME AWESOME POWER DREW HIM CLOSER AND CLOSER TO THIS MYSTERIOUS GIRL WHO HELD THE SECRET TO...

SOMETHING IN THE SEA

THERE'S SOMETHING ABOUT YOU, WANDA... I CAN'T GET YOU OUT OF MY MIND!
PLEASE DON'T, TOD.. WE'VE ONLY JUST MET ABOARD SHIP! THERE ARE THINGS YOU DON'T KNOW ABOUT ME!


LOOK! THERE IN THE SEA! IT'S THE EMPIRE STATE BUILDING!
HUSH, DARLING, IT'S ONLY YOUR IMAGINATION!
BUT I WAS SURE I SAW IT... A BUILDING IN THE SEA!
THE SEA CAN PLAY TRICKS WITH YOUR MIND AT NIGHT! YOU'D BETTER RETURN TO YOUR CABIN! I MUST LEAVE YOU NOW!
IN HIS CABIN, MANN SHAKES HIS HEAD IN DISBELIEF! WAS IT POSSIBLE THAT HE HAD SEEN SUCH A SIGHT? STILL...
IT'S ALL SO ODD! OF COURSE IT COULDN'T BE THE EMPIRE STATE BUILDING! IT MUST BE SOME SORT OF MIRAGE...
BUT A MOMENT LATER...
IT'S THE SPHINX FLOATING OVER THE WATER!
I'M NOT IMAGINING IT! IT'S THERE! THE SPHINX, FLOATING IN THE OCEAN!
NO! YOU MUST TAKE ANOTHER COURSE... YOU MUST NOT COME SO CLOSE TO THE SEA LANES!
WANDA!
YOU LIED TO ME! YOU CAN SEE THEM TOO! WHY DID YOU PRETEND NOTHING WAS OUT THERE BEFORE?
IT WAS FOR YOUR OWN GOOD!

THERE! OUT ON THE OCEAN... FLOATING PAST US! DON'T YOU SEE THEM? WE MUST TELL THE CAPTAIN!
EASY, MATE, I'M AFRAID YOU'VE HAD A BIT TOO MUCH EXCITEMENT TONIGHT! YOU'D BETTER GO BELOW!

SHORTLY AFTERWARD THE STUNNED VOYAGER IS TAKEN TO HIS CABIN, BUT HIS MIND REELS WITH THE VISIONS FROM THE SEA...

THEN, AS RAYS FROM THE RISING SUN STREAM ACROSS THE FRANTIC MAN'S FACE, SEVERAL HOURS LATER...

TOD MANN, STEPS ON DECK...AND HE SEES HER...THE GIRL WHO HAS STOLEN HIS HEART... AND PERHAPS HIS MIND...

THERE SHE IS, LOOKING AT THE SEA! WHAT IS HER SECRET? WHY DOES SHE POSSESS ME SO?

"I TRIED TO WARN YOU THAT I WAS NOT OF YOUR KIND! I COME FROM ANOTHER LIFE, BENEATH THE SEA..."

WANDA! WHAT'S ALL THIS ABOUT? WHY DID YOU LEAVE? WHY DO YOU WANT THOSE VISIONS FROM THE SEA KNOWN ONLY TO US? TELL ME!!

I WILL ANSWER YOUR QUESTIONS, TOD! PERHAPS I WAS CRUEL, BUT I DID IT FOR YOUR OWN GOOD! LISTEN...

WE MUST NEVER SEEK TO MINGLE WITH THOSE ABOVE WHO BREATHE AIR...

THEY WOULD NEVER UNDERSTAND US AND WE MUST BE CONTENT HERE... FATHOMS BELOW THE WORLD ABOVE...

"YES, TOO, IT WAS I WHO KNEW THE DANGER OF TRESPASSING UPON YOUR WORLD, AND YET, IT WAS I WHO CAME HERE..."

OUR LIFE IS DULL AND DRAB HERE, BUT WHILE WE CANNOT LIVE WITH THOSE ABOVE, WE CAN HAVE SOUVENIRS FROM THEIR WORLD! I AM GOING TO BRING THEM BACK!

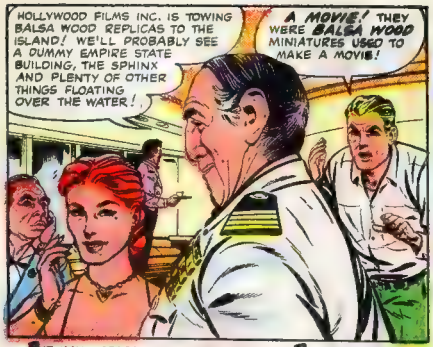
I MUST LEAVE YOU NOW, BUT DO NOT FEAR! YOU ARE NOT SEEING THINGS! THOSE SIGHTS YOU SAW ARE ONLY THE GIFTS I AM BRINGING TO MY PEOPLE BELOW!

WHAT?

DAZED MOMENTS LATER, AS TOD MANN STAGGERS INTO THE MAIN SALON, STRUGGLING TO CLEAR HIS SENSES...

YES, ON THE ISLAND WE'RE VISITING THEY'RE MAKING A MOVIE CALLED "THE EIGHTH WONDER OF THE WORLD!" WE CAN EXPECT TO SEE SOME INTERESTING SIGHTS ON OUR TRIPS...

IT'S... INCREDIBLE, BUT I SAW THOSE SIGHTS WITH MY OWN EYES...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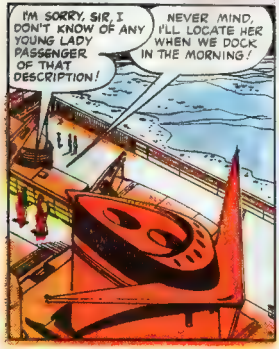
BUT MANN SEARCHES THE VESSEL IN VAIN, ONLY TO DISCOVER THAT HIS PLAYFUL GIRL FRIEND HAS VANISHED...


I'M SORRY, SIR, I DON'T KNOW OF ANY YOUNG LADY PASSENGER OF THAT DESCRIPTION!
NEVER MIND, I'LL LOCATE HER WHEN WE DOCK IN THE MORNING!

BUT THAT MORNING WHEN THE CRUISE SHIP DOCKS AT THE SOUTH PACIFIC ISLAND...

THAT MUST BE THE MOVIE COMPANY AND WANDA COULD BE ACTING IN THE FILM! SURE, THAT'S IT! SHE'S AN ACTRESS AND SHE CERTAINLY PLAYED HER PART TO THE HILT!

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THE EARRING

THE stores along the avenue were brilliantly lit during the Christmas season, but none was quite as splendid as the windows of the Imperial Jewelry store. As little Anne Smith hurried along to report for work, the wind whipped through her thin coat, but she hardly minded. The exhilarating joy of the holiday season warmed her frail body, and she felt a tremendous sense of pride as the shoppers on the avenue saw her walk through the majestic doors of the Imperial Jewelers.

She had been hired just the previous day, and as she entered the warm splendor of the shop she smiled brightly at the manager. Instead of returning her greeting, he frowned darkly.

"Weren't you told to use the alley way entrance!" he scolded sharply.

At that moment the owner of the store and a distinguished looking man headed from the back of the store where they were standing. The manager grabbed Anne's arm and roughly escorted her to the rear of the store.

"Now you've done it!" he growled angrily. "That man is negotiating to buy the Imperial Jewelry store. What's he going to think of our clientele seeing the shabby likes of you parading through here! Now get busy back there and start cleaning up. That's what you're being paid for, so do a good job, mind you, or I'll fire you on the spot!"

"Yes, sir," answered Anne meekly. Her eyes filled with hurt and disappointment. The glamour and excitement that she had felt in coming to work was suddenly gone. She was nothing but a poor little clean-up girl, and everyone was ashamed to have her seen by the customers.

She was determined to do her job thoroughly and not get in anybody's way. Busily she began to straighten up the desk in Mr. Berkley's office. Mr. Berkley was the owner of the jewelry store, a tall, impressive looking man, but from what she could gather he hoped to sell the store and retire. The sound of Mr. Berkley's voice accompanied by another man reached her ears. They were headed for his office. She realized that she must not be seen again, but if she walked into the corridor she would meet them. Anxiously she looked around her and decided to conceal herself in the small library adjoining the office. She could dust the bookshelves there while she waited for Mr. Berkley and the gentleman with him to finish their business.

She took her feather duster and quickly ran towards the library. She made it just in time, but there wasn't even a moment left to close the door completely. The door swung forward, however, and she crouched behind it in partial privacy, giving her attention to the wall shelves behind her and the musty rows of books.

"Sit down, Prince Habar," she heard Mr. Berkley say in a richly congenial voice.

"Thank you, my friend," the man replied, accenting his syllables with a musical trill that spoke of foreign lands.

Anne clutched her feather duster tightly, suddenly afraid that the slightest ripple of air would expose her presence to the royal visitor. If Mr. Berkley caught her while he was entertaining such distinguished guest she *would* be fired on the spot!

"As you know," said the prince, "I have journeyed a great distance to consult with you. In your lifetime you have appraised the most valued treasures of the world. A request to you for any rare sapphire or emerald would meet with immediate response."

"I will do my best to serve you, Prince Habar. You are in the market for some exquisite and rare jewel?"

"Not exactly. I wish to match a rare and priceless object, however. Find me the mate to this earring."

Through the crack of the door Anne realized that she could see the prince. His handsome face was molded on the lines of the heroes in Arabian Nights, and his beautiful, long fingers held out a discolored silver earring.

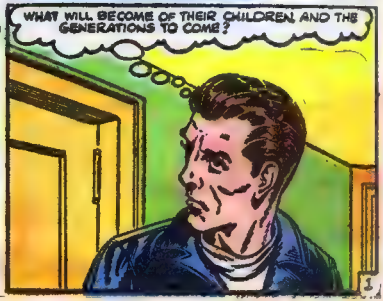
Mr. Berkley took the earring and examined it carefully.

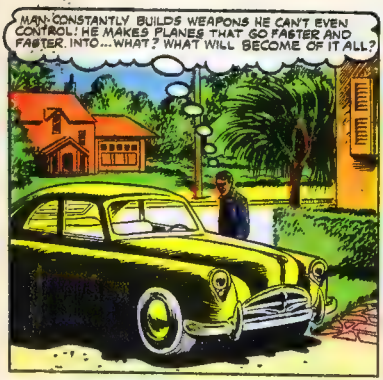
"But surely, my dear prince, you must realize that this is nothing but the crudest metal.

CONTINUED AFTER NEXT STORY...

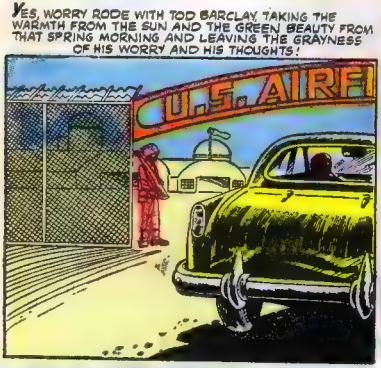
THE MAN YOU SEE HERE IS TOD BARCLAY! WHAT YOU SEE MIRRORED ON HIS FACE IS THE TUMULT OF INNER TURMOIL! TOD BARCLAY IS WORRIED, FOR HE IS ONE OF THOSE MEN WHO ARE BUILDING THE FUTURE...AND HE IS AFRAID OF WHAT THAT FUTURE WILL BRING!

THROUGH THE VEIL!




MAN CONSTANTLY BUILDS WEAPONS HE CAN'T EVEN CONTROL! HE MAKES PLANES THAT GO FASTER AND FASTER. INTO...WHAT? WHAT WILL BECOME OF IT ALL?

I SUPPOSE THERE IS NOTHING I CAN DO ABOUT IT! BUT I CAN'T HELP WORRYING, FOR I AM ONE OF THOSE RESPONSIBLE FOR THE FUTURE!


YES, WORRY RODE WITH TOD BARCLAY, TAKING THE WARMTH FROM THE SUN AND THE GREEN BEAUTY FROM THAT SPRING MORNING AND LEAVING THE GRAYNESS OF HIS WORRY AND HIS THOUGHTS!
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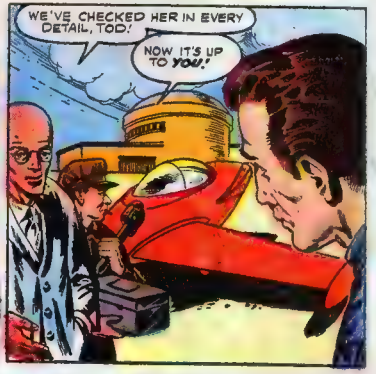
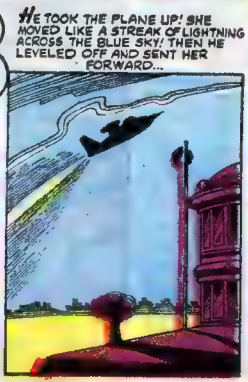
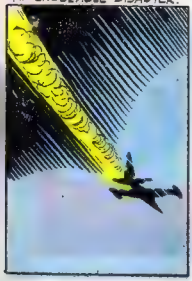

WE'VE CHECKED HER IN EVERY DETAIL, TOD!
NOW IT'S UP TO YOU!

WE HAVE NO DOUBT THAT YOU'LL BREAK THE SOUND BARRIER IN THIS SHIP, TOD! WE THINK SHE'LL TRAVEL FASTER THAN ANY PLANE HAS EVER TRAVELED BEFORE!
IF SHE CAN, I'LL MAKE HER! THAT'S MY JOB AS TEST PILOT!


HE TOOK THE PLANE UP! SHE MOVED LIKE A STREAK OF LIGHTNING ACROSS THE BLUE SKY! THEN HE LEVELED OFF AND SENT HER FORWARD...

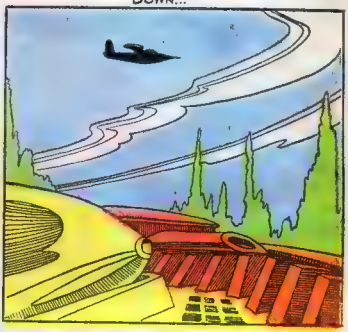
ANOTHER ONE! FASTER THAN ALL THE OTHERS! WHY? SO ANOTHER WEAPON CAN BE BORN?

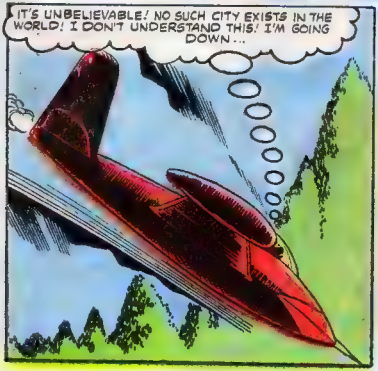
FASTER AND FASTER HE WENT, WHILE THE WORRY PREYED ON HIS MIND THE WORRY THAT LATELY HAD BECOME A GNAWING TORMENT! FOR HE FELT INSIDE THAT HE, IN HIS JOB, WAS HELPING TOWARD AN UNSEEABLE DISASTER!



SUDDENLY, ALL SOUND CEASED! HE HAD CRACKED THE SOUND BARRIER! STILL HE WENT FASTER...FASTER...

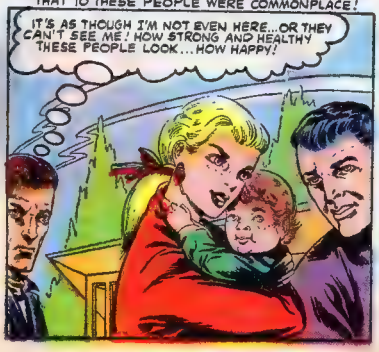
AND THEN A STRANGE THING HAPPENED! THERE CAME A ROARING AND A DIZZINESS AND WHEN IT CLEARED SOMEHOW THE SKY LOOKED STRANGE! HE LOOKED DOWN...



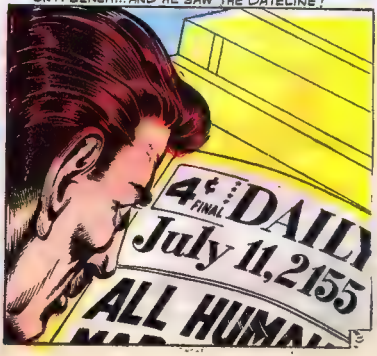


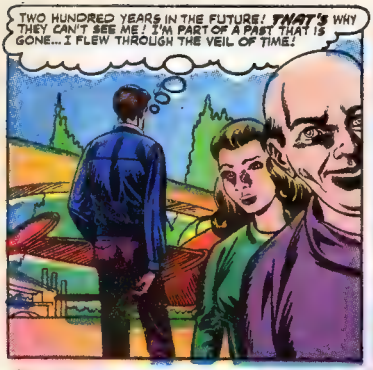
HE LANDED IN A FLOWERING PARK WITHIN THE CITY THE AIR SEEMED FILLED WITH STRANGE AND BEAUTIFUL MUSIC, MUTED AND PEACEFUL!

HE STROLLED AMONG THE PEOPLE! EVERYWHERE WAS LAUGHTER AND PEACE! YET HE SENSED WONDERS THAT TO THESE PEOPLE WERE COMMONPLACE!

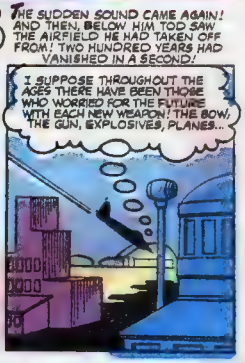


TOD LOOKED DOWN AT A NEWSPAPER THAT WAS LYING ON A BENCH... AND HE SAW THE DATELINE!

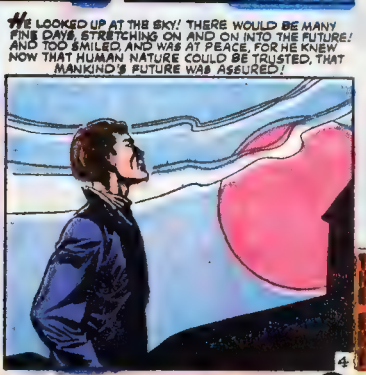




HE WALKED BACK TO HIS PLANE, DEEP IN THOUGHT...
I FLEW FASTER THAN TIME AND FLEW INTO THE FUTURE! THIS IS WHAT OUR WORLD WILL BE TWO HUNDRED YEARS FROM NOW... THIS WORLD OF GREAT PEACE, PROSPERITY, OF WONDERFUL DISCOVERY! HERE, YESTERDAY'S MIRACLES HAVE BECOME TODAY'S FACTS!


THE SUDDEN SOUND CAME AGAIN! AND THEN, BELOW HIM TOD SAW THE AIRFIELD HE HAD TAKEN OFF FROM! TWO HUNDRED YEARS HAD VANISHED IN A SECOND!
I SUPPOSE THROUGHOUT THE AGES THERE HAVE BEEN THOSE WHO WORRIED FOR THE FUTURE WITH EACH NEW WEAPON! THE BOW, THE GUN, EXPLOSIVES, PLANES...

THE PLANE LANDED...THE SUN WAS WARM AND THE GRAYNESS TOD HAD KNOWN BEFORE WAS GONE!
HOW DID IT GO? WHAT DO YOU THINK OF THE FUTURE OF THIS PLANE?
THE PLANE IS EVERYTHING YOU THOUGHT IT WOULD BE! THE FUTURE? IT LOOKS FINE!


HE LOOKED UP AT THE SKY! THERE WOULD BE MANY FINE DAYS, STRETCHING ON AND ON INTO THE FUTURE! AND TOD SMILED, AND WAS AT PEACE, FOR HE KNEW NOW THAT HUMAN NATURE COULD BE TRUSTED, THAT MANKIND'S FUTURE WAS ASSURED!

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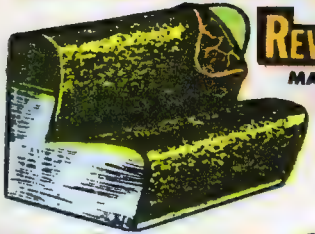

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The prince's face looked sad.

"It is not the worth in dollars and cents that I revere, Mr. Berkley. This earring is a symbol. It is said to have belonged to the first Queen of our people. These are troubled times, Mr. Berkley, and the Queen was a just and honest woman. If I can return the mate from this earring to my country it will be a symbol to all of them. I would like to do this for them . . . to warm their hearts and inspire them in their daily tasks . . . to light the joy in the eyes of the little children . . . this was my purpose."

The prince's sadness touched Anne's heart so deeply that in spite of herself she began to cry. She tried desperately to stifle the tears, but the tiniest sob caught in her throat . . . and was heard.

"Why I do believe someone is in the library," said Mr. Berkley. "Good heavens! It's the little cleaning girl. Why, Anne, what are you crying about?"

"Oh, Mr. Berkley," Anne sobbed. "I tried to hide so that you wouldn't be embarassed by my being here. And now I've spoiled everything. I'll leave the job right now."

"Nonsense!" said Mr. Berkley kindly.

He put his fatherly arm around her trembling shoulders and led her right into the room where the Prince was waiting. Prince Habar rose from his chair and bowed courteously. Anne nodded through the haze of tears and waved her feather duster in greeting.

"Now you just sit down here," said Mr. Berkley escorting her to his huge leather chair behind the desk. "I overheard the manager scolding you for your little mistake, and I intend to speak to him for using such an unnecessarily harsh tone. After all, it is the Christmas season, and a new employee deserves much better treatment than that. Now dry your eyes, don't be afraid of me or anyone else around here."

Anne smiled bravely, but one last tear fell from her lids in a glistening dew and struck the old silver earring that the Prince had laid upon the desk. A

strange shimmering light hovered above the earring where the tear fell. Anne automatically touched the spot to remove the dampness, and at the tips of her fingers she found an earring in her hand.

"I'm so sorry, really. I think the story about this earring is the most beautiful I've ever heard . . ."

Mr. Berkley and the prince stared at her in amazement.

"Where did you get that?" asked Mr. Berkley.

"It is a miracle!" exclaimed the prince.

Suddenly Anne realized that the earring she held in her fingers was a second piece . . . the mate to the first earring that the Prince had set upon the desk.

"Why it must have been here all the time," she said in wide-eyed astonishment.

Before she could protest, the prince had dropped to his knees before her and kissed her hand . . . feather duster and all!

"Thank you, little Anne," he murmured gratefuly. "If there is anything I can do to repay you. Please tell me! A fortune will be yours. I was prepared to pay a reward to anyone who could help me locate my people's lost treasure. It would give me the greatest happiness if you could visit my country as my guest and present the earrings to my people along with me. But if there is anything I can do right now . . . anything at all . . ."

Anne smiled, a girlish gaiety that sparkled her entire face with sudden beauty.

"Well, there is something," she admitted.

The crowds on the busy street turned to stare as the small, poorly clad girl, with her head held high, walked through the front doors of the Imperial Jewelry store accompanied by the splendidly dressed, handsome Prince Habar. The manager of the store rushed up to greet them, and suddenly his face turned pale and his mouth fell open.

"Take me to the owner," little Anne commanded. "I have come to purchase the store.

"Certainly. Of course, of course," muttered the manager looking in confusion from Anne to the solemn, dignified prince.

"And while I'm there conferring with him," Anne added, "you might hold this for me."

With the grace of a Queen handing over her royal sceptre, Anne thrust the feather duster into the manager's outstretched hand. She and the prince brushed by him and arrived at Mr. Berkley's office laughing merrily.

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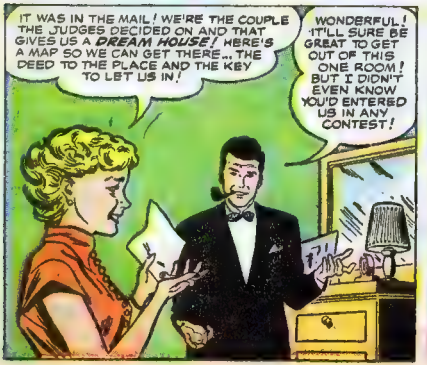
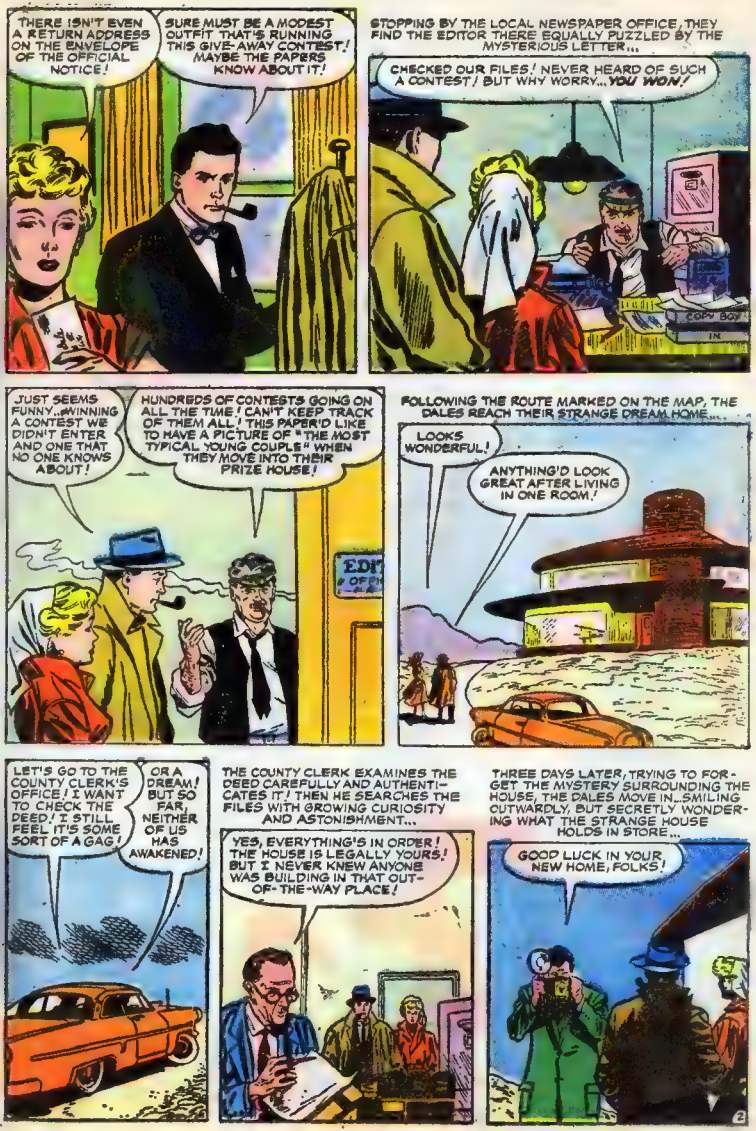
INSIDE THE HOUSE!

IRVIN! WE WON **FIRST PRIZE!** WE WERE PICKED AS "THE MOST TYPICAL YOUNG COUPLE"! **WE WON!**
THE EDITORS GUARANTEE THAT THIS IS ONE OF THE MOST **ASTONISHING** STORIES YOU'VE EVER READ!
TAKE IT EASY, JANE, AND TELL ME WHAT IT'S ALL ABOUT!


IT WAS IN THE MAIL! WE'RE THE COUPLE THE JUDGES DECIDED ON AND THAT GIVES US A **DREAM HOUSE!** HERE'S A MAP SO WE CAN GET THERE... THE DEED TO THE PLACE AND THE KEY TO LET US IN!
WONDERFUL! IT'LL SURE BE GREAT TO GET OUT OF THIS ONE ROOM! BUT I DIDN'T EVEN KNOW YOU'D ENTERED US IN ANY CONTEST!

BUT **I** DIDN'T ENTER ANY CONTEST! I THOUGHT **YOU** HAD ENTERED US!
NEVER EVEN HEARD OF THE CONTEST! IT DOESN'T MAKE SENSE! HOW COULD WE WIN FIRST PRIZE IN A CONTEST **NEITHER** OF US EVER ENTERED?


THERE ISN'T EVEN A RETURN ADDRESS ON THE ENVELOPE OF THE OFFICIAL NOTICE!
SURE MUST BE A MODEST OUTFIT THAT'S RUNNING THIS GIVE-AWAY CONTEST! MAYBE THE PAPERS KNOW ABOUT IT!
STOPPING BY THE LOCAL NEWSPAPER OFFICE, THEY FIND THE EDITOR THERE EQUALLY PUZZLED BY THE MYSTERIOUS LETTER...
CHECKED OUR FILES! NEVER HEARD OF SUCH A CONTEST! BUT WHY WORRY... YOU WON!
COPY BOY IN
JUST SEEMS FUNNY...WINNING A CONTEST WE DIDN'T ENTER AND ONE THAT NO ONE KNOWS ABOUT!
HUNDREDS OF CONTESTS GOING ON ALL THE TIME! CAN'T KEEP TRACK OF THEM ALL! THIS PAPER'D LIKE TO HAVE A PICTURE OF "THE MOST TYPICAL YOUNG COUPLE" WHEN THEY MOVE INTO THEIR PRIZE HOUSE!
FOLLOWING THE ROUTE MARKED ON THE MAP, THE DALES REACH THEIR STRANGE DREAM HOME...
LOOKS WONDERFUL!
ANYTHING'D LOOK GREAT AFTER LIVING IN ONE ROOM!
LET'S GO TO THE COUNTY CLERK'S OFFICE! I WANT TO CHECK THE DEED! I STILL FEEL IT'S SOME SORT OF A GAG!
OR A DREAM! BUT SO FAR, NEITHER OF US HAS AWAKENED!
THE COUNTY CLERK EXAMINES THE DEED CAREFULLY AND AUTHENTICATES IT! THEN HE SEARCHES THE FILES WITH GROWING CURIOSITY AND ASTONISHMENT...
YES, EVERYTHING'S IN ORDER! THE HOUSE IS LEGALLY YOURS! BUT I NEVER KNEW ANYONE WAS BUILDING IN THAT OUT-OF-THE-WAY PLACE!
THREE DAYS LATER, TRYING TO FORGET THE MYSTERY SURROUNDING THE HOUSE, THE DALES MOVE IN...SMILING OUTWARDLY, BUT SECRETLY WONDERING WHAT THE STRANGE HOUSE HOLDS IN STORE...
GOOD LUCK IN YOUR NEW HOME, FOLKS!
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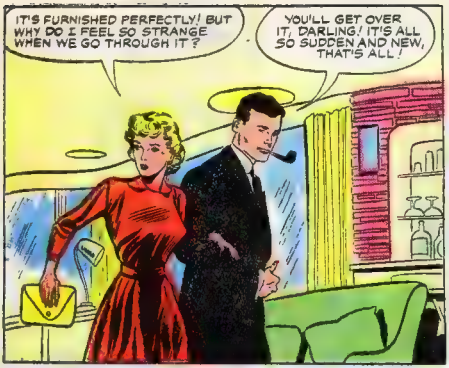
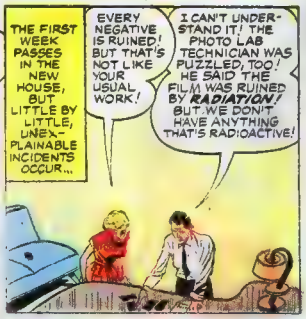
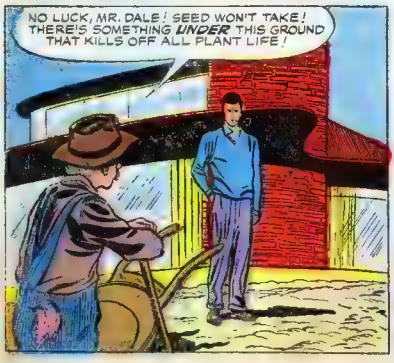

IT'S FURNISHED PERFECTLY! BUT WHY DO I FEEL SO STRANGE WHEN WE GO THROUGH IT?
YOU'LL GET OVER IT, DARLING! IT'S ALL SO SUDDEN AND NEW, THAT'S ALL!

THEY EXAMINE THEIR HOME, BUT THEN THEY DISCOVER ANOTHER DOOR, A SEEMINGLY PURPOSELESS ONE THAT OPENS INTO A BARE, WINDOWLESS, CIRCULAR ROOM...

THE NEXT DAY, JANE DALE FINDS SHE ISN'T THE ONLY ONE WHO SHRINKS BACK FROM THE PECULIAR ROOM...


THE FIRST WEEK PASSES IN THE NEW HOUSE, BUT LITTLE BY LITTLE, UNEXPLAINABLE INCIDENTS OCCUR...
EVERY NEGATIVE IS RUINED! BUT THAT'S NOT LIKE YOUR USUAL WORK!
I CAN'T UNDERSTAND IT! THE PHOTO LAB TECHNICIAN WAS PUZZLED, TOO! HE SAID THE FILM WAS RUINED BY RADIATION! BUT WE DON'T HAVE ANYTHING THAT'S RADIOACTIVE!

AROUND THE HOUSE LIES ONLY HARD, GRASSLESS LAND...



THAT EVENING, PUZZLED BY HAMMERING IN THE BASEMENT, JANE DALE DESCENDS THE LONG STAIRCASE...

OH, IT'S YOU, IRVIN!
DIDN'T WANT TO WORRY YOU, DEAR... BUT WHEN I DROPPED SOMETHING BEFORE, IT SOUNDED LIKE THERE WAS HOLLOW SPACE BELOW THE BASEMENT!

...'S FLOOR-TAPPING HAVING REVEALED A STARTLING HOLLOWNESS BELOW THE HOUSE'S SUPPOSEDLY SOLID FOUNDATION, IRVIN DALE DRILLS...

I WAS RIGHT! TWO INCHES BELOW THIS CONCRETE LAYER AND I'VE STRUCK AN AIR SPACE!

ENLARGING THE HOLE, HE PEERS DOWN INTO THE SPACE BELOW AND GAPES, AS HIS EYE FOCUSES ON STRANGE-LOOKING MACHINERY!

CAN'T FIGURE OUT WHAT MACHINES COULD BE DOING ***UNDER*** THE HOUSE, UNLESS IT'S SOME SORT OF NEW HEATING SYSTEM! THAT COULD TIE IN WITH THAT CIRCULAR, BARE ROOM... THE ROOM PASSES UP THROUGH THE WHOLE HOUSE AND MIGHT BE PART OF SOME ULTRA-MODERN HEATING INSTALLATION!

THAT EVENING, AS THEY BECOME INCREASINGLY UNEASY, THE DOORBELL RINGS...

MR. IRVIN DALE? ***WE'RE*** MR. AND MRS. IRVIN DALE, TOO!

NAMESAKES! THIS IS QUITE A COINCIDENCE!

I'M AFRAID THIS ***ISN'T*** A SOCIAL CALL! WE SAW THE PICTURE IN THE PAPERS OF YOU ENTERING THIS HOUSE! ***OUR NAMES*** ARE THE SAME AND WE ARE SURE THAT ***WE*** WERE SUPPOSED TO BE THE CONTEST WINNERS, ***NOT YOU!***

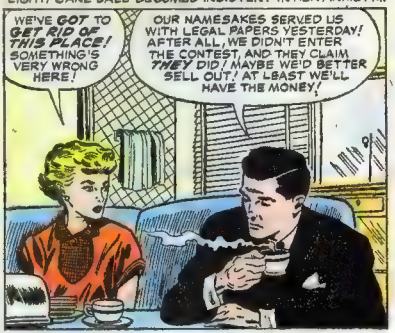
IF THAT WERE SO, WHY DID ***WE*** RECEIVE THE OFFICIAL NOTICE THAT ***WE*** HAD WON?

WHEN WE ENTERED THE CONTEST, WE WROTE OUT THE APPLICATION HURRIEDLY! THEY PROBABLY COULDN'T READ THE ADDRESS TOO EASILY, LOOKED IT UP IN A PHONE BOOK AND CAME UP WITH ***YOURS*** BY ***MISTAKE!***

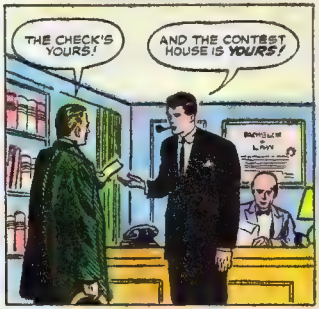
THE DEED AND KEYS WERE SENT TO ***US!*** WE'RE ***STAYING!***

NOT IN ***OUR*** HOUSE! I'D HOPED YOU'D BE REASONABLE! SINCE YOU AREN'T, I'LL HAVE TO GET YOU OUT OF OUR PLACE BY A ***LAWSUIT!***

AS MORE STRANGE THINGS ABOUT THE HOUSE COME TO LIGHT, JANE DALE BECOMES INSISTENT IN HER ANXIETY...


WE'VE GOT TO GET RID OF THIS PLACE! SOMETHING'S VERY WRONG HERE!
OUR NAMESAKES SERVED US WITH LEGAL PAPERS YESTERDAY! AFTER ALL, WE DIDN'T ENTER THE CONTEST, AND THEY CLAIM THEY DID! MAYBE WE'D BETTER SELL OUT! AT LEAST WE'LL HAVE THE MONEY!

DRIVEN BY THE THREAT OF A LAWSUIT AND THE STRANGENESS WITHIN THE HOUSE, IRVIN DALE SIGNS OVER THE DEED TO HIS NAMESAKE FOR A MODERATE SUM...



GLOATING WITH SUCCESS, THE OTHER COUPLE EXAMINES THEIR PRIZE...

FOR A COUPLE OF GRAND AND PURE BLUFF, WE WON THIS! NEVER EVEN HEARD OF THE CONTEST, TILL WE READ ABOUT IT IN THE PAPERS!
GO IN THE ROOM! MAYBE THE TWO OF US CAN FIGURE OUT WHAT IT'S FOR!

AS THE CONNIVING COUPLE ENTERS THE UNUSUAL ROOM, THEY ARE EAGERLY WATCHED...

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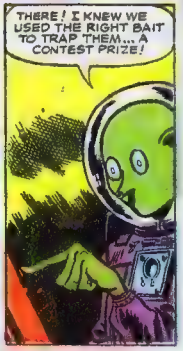
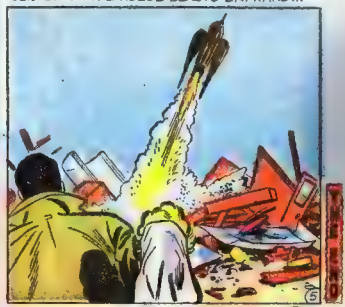


AS IRVIN AND JANE DALE TAKE A LAST LOOK AT THE HOUSE, THE EARTH AROUND THEM SUDDENLY SHAKES. THERE IS A SUBTERRANEAN RUMBLING FROM FAR BELOW THE BASEMENT AND THE WALLS PEEL OFF...

THEN, WITH THE GIANT THRUST OF ITS RADIO-ACTIVE ATOMIC MOTORS, THE CAMOUFLAGED CENTER OF THE HOUSE BLASTS SKYWARD...



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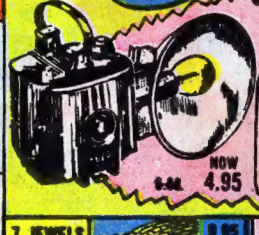

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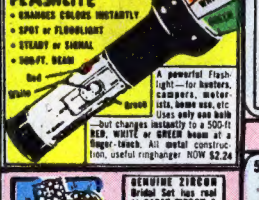

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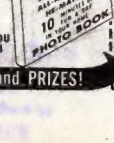
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